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EDITORIAL ZONE Welcome to Issue #2! We are pleased to announce that Game Fan has been picked up for

national distribution after just one lesses front new finds as link column are used to present places upon the U.S. (we'll be the one with the brilliant cover), inside you'll find all the limprovements you asked for in your cards and letters, like bigges screen shots, easier readability, and more of Other Stuff. Ginne Fars in credible industry section (check out Chun Li this month., grarm?). We're also hard at write in with your questions and suggestions. You have a lot to say and we're here to make same your message great out. Ok, enough about us... It's fine to talk about you and what you'll be

pisying in the near (and not so near) future. Hitting stores low is the surprising Sega CD which is proving to be better than anyone ever dreamed as the first round of games are loaded with tricks like a reade quality hardware scaling with the store of the store o

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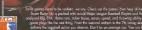
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- 3 World Heroes (GEO)
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- 5 Axelay (SNES)
- 6 Super Double Dragon (SNES)
- 7 Aliens (GEN)
- 8 SF II (SNES)
- 9 NCAA Basketball (SNES)
- 10 NHLPA Hockey (GEN)

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- Sonic 2 (GEN) 2 Super Star Wars (SNES)
- 3 Streets of Rage 2 (GEN)
- 4 Cybernator (SNES)
- 5 Art of Fighting (GEO)
- 6 Batman CD (sco)
- 7 Turtles (GEN) 8 Sonic CD (SCD)
- 9 Shining Force (GEN)
- 10 Super Battletoads (SNES)

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PLANET SNES







is the kind of game that makes yo want to stay home all day. Yo know, you wake up all crusty, drag your blanket into the living room, close the blinds, and just lock in. Cybernator takes you right into a movie-like atmosphere with a great storyline and the gameplay is totally unique.

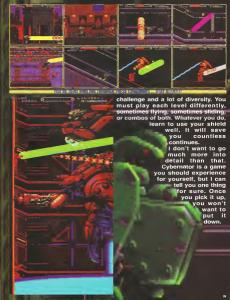
Even though the character on the screen is small, in reality it is a huge cybersuit and somehow the programmers make if feel huge and heavy without loosing

notion to detail is stamming, with mood ust right. Your character jumps and powerslides along with an assortment of weapons you can obtain then level up. Leveling up your weapons in fact is the key to victory. You must search everwhere and find

all the power up items. Cybernator a Iso offers a great



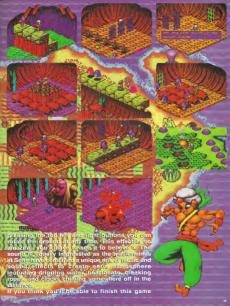


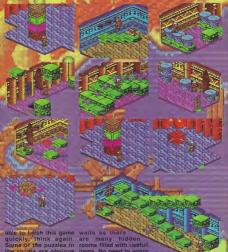












quickly, think again.
Some of the puzzles in
the rooms are obvious
to figure out, while
others will have you
totally perplexed for
hours on end. A helpful
tip: Be sure to feel your

rooms filled with usefull items. No need to worry about passwords, this game has a built in battery backup. Equinox/Solstice 2

offers plenty of nonstop game play and is an absolute must for all gamers and comes with a big Bud Di seal of approval, I loved it!









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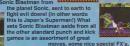






Not even she knows his hidden secret he's Sonic Blastman from

programmer by day along with his manager/girlfriend Mary Cooper.



























know by now (unless you live in a cave), fighting games are all the rage, Power Athlete (known in the U.S.

new cast of characters. Both character animation backgrounds are looking good. Even though there's a lot















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Cecntly I've read where a left of seculhave called this a SFR my off. I hank they are sadily mistaken The only smalled I see is that them are day or endside ready to fight to the death other than the WH is pretty unique. All the characters are new and different and the strategy to who is quite different than Street Fighter. I say Alpha than Street Fighter. I say Alpha































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HANDS ON PORTABLES

Surprisingly, there is actually been a couple of Lynx you believe it, shwingl) Also, look for translations of games to get your Hands On, and what's even better for Atan's latest arcade games including: Road Riot, Relief Lynx owners is that, according to Atari, there are many Pitcher, and hopefully, Space Lords. Below are a few of the awasome games to look for in the immediate future. See va next month with lots more Hands On.













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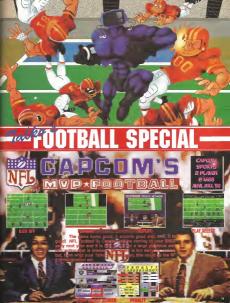


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FOOTBALL SPECIAL What a difference a vear makes...8.760 little hours... Welcome to the complete ressurection of a football legend, John Madden Football, 1993.

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Theoriginal John Madden **Football fortheSNESwas** one of last year's biggest disappointments. seemed that the development team just could not come to grips with Mode7 and the game was choppy and poorly executed. The game fared

even worse when compared to its Genesis It is now a new season and you can't keep agoodcoachdown John Madden, 1993 is an out-

standing sports title with graphics and game play that really stretch the limits of the SNES You can jump, dive, hurdle and spin through a tilted first person scaling environment that allows you total control over play call ingandexecutionofyour game plan. New features for this

super sequel include the following: more extensive statistics with individual statsforyour"skill"players, ahurry-upoffense, all of the "pro" teams(represented by the team's city and player numbers) plus some great teams of the recent pass digi tized, animated crowd close-ups, head butting on great defensive plays and excellent voice and sound effects. TALKO TIP: When run-

are able to find a copy of ning, do not use the "oomph" button. The

this supersoft at your local retailer, snatch it up.

the demand will be great and so is the game

This game is an absolute joy to play. It has the best passing mechanism of any football game, with the exception Pro Quarterback. Inaddition. Madden, 1993 has play- BLIND FOR THE EXTRA POIN er control that is un matched by any game on

"Hurdle" button does a much better job of dis-

patching defenders

Tradewest's

any platform. One of my few complaints, as with Pro Quarterback, Is that you can not save a season and stats to battery, although, as in the original, you can play through the playoffs with a pass-

word save feature There is no doubt that this is the golden age of sports gaming on 16-bit systems. John Madden Football, 1993 for the

examples of this, If you

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Madden speaks! In their third installment of the popular John Madden football series, the designers at EASN have tuned-up Madden '92 for a new session that includes many upgrades to the state of State

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But, if you are looking for evolutionary an nevolutionary game play in a game that is the #1 feotball simulation of all time, and a battery and Madden's voice to book, you cen't go wrong with Madden's. The big man and the gang at EASN have produced another winner. TALKO TIP: To sid in receiving a pass, p



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tion of Sega's Sportstalk set the Genesis, has arrived for the the Genesis, has arrived for the '92 sea-son and it is a giant step forward for sports entertainment software. The first thing that you will no-tice about his title, in no small way due

to the large, rotating logo in the be-ginning of the game, is that Montana 3 has an NFL license. SPIN AND YOU'RE GONE in addition to the NFL license, Montana 3 sports a new graphic look that has you have ever seen in a video foot

TALKOTIP: The viewpointy ouch oose can have a direct bearing on the suc-cess of your play execution. For exmple, I prefer to use the horizontal inple, i preser to use the noncolleal lew for passing, the vertical-defense-iew for running plays and the verti-al-offense view when on defense. The sound department has also sceived a major cer lift. The new and aproved Sportstalk system is an infispensible part of game play. The loice is much faster and there are re-ortedly 500 different samples that the nnouncer makes use of. In addition, the playbook has been

In addition, the playbook has been enhanced by the inclusion of more for mations with player substitutions and shotgun options. There are adjustable difficulty lev-eis and everything from the "zoom" view to the voices and music can be

Well, how does Montana 3 play? The running game is the best in the business. It is fast, well animated features diving, spinning and stiffing. It is really a blast to take of

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NFI Sportstalk Footbell '93 Starring Joe Montana is are sounding success. The bugs that were present in the '92 game have been ironed out and the the start show the comgame play is a step above the c petition. If you are looking for an au-hentic NFL football simulation with nics that are incredibly realis and the only play-by-play announcing around, then look no further the Montana. The player has finally bea













ARTERBACK nebecause A) home game since I first held a loystick

it won't take long, there aran't many a in my hand. The scaling system allows



and B) The quicker we get through the so-so stuff, the quicker we get to look

is that it offers no passworders avegame This is something I was beginning to believe was becoming a standard for

aporta games. The second problem qually it is more of an ciddity, is that a teams only have 9 players per side steed of the standard 11 in the American

ame. The lack of those 2 playe no way detracts from the game. In fact it took me 3 games before I noticed the

ering at times (which may be the answer to that if player questions, but it dose not effect gama play at all. Now, for the good stuff, Tradesper

ProOdlinerbackistofootball what NCAA Basketball is to hoops. For the first timelinahome football game you can see all of your receivers on screen at once JUST A CHIP SHO instead of having them in Isolated win-

dows or represented as dots or icons. This is made possible by the first personscalindenvironmentorovi development team. The game is be tiful. You can scan the field to pick out theopenreceiverand, afterreleasing the

bell, watch as the ball zooms down the scaling field toward your selected player, a receiver that you now control

Pro Quarterback to present a passing The sprites are very large and colo tul and control is excellent. Tackling is particularly tun and the act of catchno the ball has been made easier by

sing an on-screen cursor to show the pot on the field that your receiver is The playbook is of average size and

the players do stick to their patterns he computer puts up a tough fight in

which even seasched original wa The game also has 2 player and tean mete options to add to the explication and it keeps track of statitios f

The lack of a serve feature is the on ming that keeps Tradewast Pro As it is a thoroughly enjoyable for bell game that really makes you feel like

you are part of the contest and will have you coming back for more. If you can this year, this is the one.

TALKO TIP: When trying to catch the ball thrown from the quarterback always

jump or dive as the ball is about to get to your receiver. This will increase your chances of making the catch

AND THE WINNERS ARE...

GENESIS: JOHN MADDEN 193 As good as Montana NFL is, Madden gets the starting

STEST (TIE) TRADEWEST PRO QUARTERBACK

had a really hard time making this call. Madden '93 is a

pleasure of reviewing So, which game do I choose? 1993 DHGF FOOTBALL GAME OF THE YEAR:

football game of the year. Tradewest's title was the one most cohs! and aahs! So give Santa your order now



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Capours good a macro soutch countries with a short farrow, thus creating the player to Likes The Fighter Private Stock has arred design written all over it. The stock performs equally well on the table or the lap, and it is constructed in such a tested. However, solven at come to relation other SNES comes, this core was not my stack of preference. Also, during heavy poundage, in the heet of













































AND IN AMERICA...

















Game Fan was recently invited to take a sneak peak at SNK's new 74 mag arcade hit sequel Sengoku 2. In this version you can see your lighter from all angles and change direction in find air. You also have more special mo and can block as you travel through time bent on destruction. Look for a full review in our next issue.

thought you'd like to meet her.







no is the lucity gif who was chosen out of thousands to be Chun Li for a sories of personal enga percial below. Mikil is 5° "with 33-23-50 measurements and is 18 years old, Mikil has eight mo d two commercials to her credit, and has currently released her first Single on CD. This commercial ring the riots, so if she can survive that, the must be touch enough to be Chun.







We got so many cards and letters regarding the Chun Li photos we ran in the last issue, we





In other news

As you all know, there has been talk of a NEO GEO CD ROM for some time now. Recently in Japan SNK put an end to the rumors by officially announcing their plans for a CD ROM upgrade. Specs will be available in April '93 and the scheduled release date is Sept. '93. Besides mega memory, the number one selling point will be considerably lower software prices. We will bring you more as it develops. Both Nintendo and Sony of Japan have announced an agreement to manufacture and market

their own CD systems. The Sony system will combine the SNES with a CD ROM drive (similar to JVC's Wonder Mega). This new product will play both SNES cartridge games and CD based software. No release date was available at press, time. Nintendo's CD ROM on the other hand will be an attachment for the SNES. This system will

utilize the advanced CD ROM XA format and is scheduled to be launched in the U.S. and Japan in August '93. In addition, Nintendo said they are still working with Phillips to develop a CD ROM XA "bridge format" which will make SNES CD games compatible with CD-1 hardware. Sony and Nintendo CD based games will be completely compatible. Both systems house a powerful 32bit CPU allowing for texture mapped polygons, full screen full motion video, and advanced scaling & rotation without the use of mode 7. So, it seems that CD is the wave of the future. With the introduction of these new systems

plus a possible 3 release of S.A. Aur's, NEC, and Sega's 30th machines, it looks like we will be trading up again. The good news is that the Nintendo, Sony, SKK, and Sega and Sega and Sega and Sega machines will almost cortainly make use of our existing software, giving us a wide variety of choices we would have never dreamed possible! See you next time in other stuff...

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